

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of the claims will replace the previous version, and the listing of the claims:

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A printer for a recording medium comprising:
 - an exposing section for exposing the recording medium,
 - first feed means arranged in the exposing section for feeding the recording medium while contacting two side edges of the recording medium in a feed direction of the recording medium,
 - a developing section for pressing the recording medium exposed at the exposing section for development,
 - a recording medium feed path arranged between the exposing section and the developing section for feeding the recording medium,
 - second feed means arranged in the recording medium feed path for feeding the recording medium exposed at the exposing section to the developing section while contacting the two side edges of the recording medium,
 - a cutting device for cutting four edges of the recording medium including the two side edges,
 - third feed means arranged between the developing section and the cutting device for feeding the recording medium developed at the developing section to the cutting device while contacting the two side edges of the recording medium,
 - a containing section arranged below the cutting device for containing the four edges of the recording medium cut by the cutting device so that the two side edges of the recording medium drop in the containing section in a curved path, and leading and trailing end edges of the recording medium drop in the containing section vertically, and

an apparatus housing for retaining at least the exposing section, the developing section, the cutting device, and the first, second, and third feed means therein.

2. (original) A printer according to claim 1, wherein a path including said recording medium feed path from the exposing section to the cutting device includes at least one curved portion, said cutting device being arranged at the at least one curved portion.

3. (original) A printer according to claim 1, wherein said cutting device is arranged at an upper corner of the apparatus housing.

4. (original) A printer according to claim 2, wherein said developing section includes a curved feed path for guiding the recording medium to the cutting device, said curved feed path being connected to the curved portion of the recording medium feed path so that the recording medium feed path being formed in a S-shape.

5. (currently amended) A printer according to claim 1, wherein said cutting device includes vertical cutting means having a blade capable of moving vertically relative to the recording medium for cutting the leading and trailing edges of the recording medium in the feed direction, and rotary cutting means having a rotary blade for cutting the two side edges of the recording medium in the feed direction while rotating and pressing.

6. (original) A printer according to claim 5, further comprising a feed roller provided coaxially with a rotating shaft of the rotary cutting means, said developing section having a pressure roller for feeding the recording medium while pressing so that the recording medium is fed along parts of surfaces of the feed roller and the pressure roller.

7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) A printer according to claim 7 6, wherein said containing section includes means processed with an antistatic process.

9. (original) A printer according to claim 8, wherein said containing section includes a portion formed of a conductive material processed with the antistatic process.

10. (new) A printer for a recording medium comprising:

an exposing section for exposing the recording medium,

first feed means arranged in the exposing section for feeding the recording medium while contacting two side edges of the recording medium in a feed direction of the recording medium,

a developing section for pressing the recording medium exposed at the exposing section for development, said developing section having a pressure roller for feeding the recording medium while pressing,

a recording medium feed path arranged between the exposing section and the developing section for feeding the recording medium,

second feed means arranged in the recording medium feed path for feeding the recording medium exposed at the exposing section to the developing section while contacting the two side edges of the recording medium,

a cutting device for cutting four edges of the recording medium including the two side edges, said cutting device including vertical cutting means having a blade capable of moving vertically relative to the recording medium for cutting leading and trailing edges of the recording medium in the feed direction, and rotary

cutting means having a rotary blade for cutting the two side edges of the recording medium in the feed direction while rotating and pressing,

third feed means arranged between the developing section and the cutting device for feeding the recording medium developed at the developing section to the cutting device while contacting the two side edges of the recording medium,

a feed roller provided coaxially with a rotating shaft of the rotary cutting means so that the recording medium is fed along parts of surfaces of the feed roller and the pressure roller,

a containing section arranged below the cutting device for containing the four edges of the recording medium cut by the cutting device so that the two side edges of the recording medium cut by the rotary cutting means drop in the containing section in a curved path along parts of the surface of the feed roller, and the leading and trailing end edges of the recording medium cut by the vertically cutting means drop in the containing section vertically, and

an apparatus housing for retaining at least the exposing section, the developing section, the cutting device, and the first, second, and third feed means therein.